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SUBJ: ILO CONFERENCE - RESOLUTION ON SOCIAL REINTEGRATION AND
VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF DISABLED
PERSONS

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF RESOLUTION CONCERNING SOCIAL REINTEGRATION
AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF DISABLED PERSONS, SUBMITTED BY
GOVERNMENT DELEGATION OF IRELAND. BEGIN TEXT:

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISA-
TION,

REAFFIRMING THE CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OR-
GANISATION, WHICH RECOGNISES THAT UNIVERSAL AND LASTING PEACE CAN
BE ESTABLISHED ONLY IF IT IS BASED UPON SOCIAL JUSTICE AND THAT
PROVISION MUST BE MADE FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PER-
SONS AND THE INJURED,

REAFFIRMING THE DECLARATION OF PHILADELPHIA WHICH STATES THAT:

(A) ALL HUMAN BEINGS, IRRESPECTIVE OF RACE, CREED OR SEX, HAVE
THE RIGHT TO PURSUE BOTH THEIR MATERIAL WELL-BEING AND THEIR
SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT IN CONDITIONS OF FREEDOM AND DIGNITY, OF
ECONOMIC SECURITY AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY", AND "(B) THE ATTAIN-
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MENT OF THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH THIS SHALL BE POSSIBLE MUST CON-

STITUTE THE CENTRAL AIM OF NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL POLICY,"

RECALLING THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, WHICH STATES THAT "RECOGNITION OF THE INHERENT DIGNITY AND OF THE EQUAL AND INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN FAMILY IS THE FOUNDATION OF THE FREEDOM, JUSTICE AND PEACE IN THE WORLD" AND WHEREIN THE PEOPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS HAVE REAFFIRMED THEIR FAITH IN FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND IN THE DIGNITY AND WORTH OF THE HUMAN PERSON,

MINDFUL OF THE PLEDGE OF THE STATES MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNDER THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO TAKE JOINT AND SEPARATE ACTION IN CO-OPERATION WITH THE ORGANISATION TO PROMOTE HIGHER STANDARDS OF LIVING , FULL EMPLOYMENT AND CONDITIONS OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT,.

AWARE THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PLEDGE IS EVEN MORE IMPERATIVE IN THE CASE OF THE DISABLED,

RECALLING THE TERMS OF THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (DISABLED) RECOMMENDATION (NO. 99), WHICH WAS ADOPTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE IN 1955, RECALLING ALSO THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE IN 1965 AND 1968 CONCERNING RESPECTIVELY THE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF DISABLED PERSONS AND DISABLED WORKERS,

NOTING THAT ACCORDING TO STATISTICS PUBLISHED BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION 3 PER CENT OF ALL CHILDREN BORN HAVE PERMANENT SEVERE PHYSICAL OR MENTAL HANDICAPS AND THAT A FURTHER 1 PER CENT ARE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED,

RECOGNISING THE IMPORTANCE OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND CO-OPERATION IN THE SOLUTION OF COMMON PROBLEMS;

1. URGES MEMBER STATES--

(A) TO RECOGNISE THAT--

(I) IN AN AGE OF TECHNOLOGICAL PROGRESS, THE PROBLEMS OF THE SOCIAL INTEGRATION AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION OF DISABLED PERSONS HAVE BECOME MORE ACUTE;

(II) DELAY IN THE SOLUTION OF THESE PROBLEMS IS AN AFFRONT TO HUMAN DIGNITY;

(III) A HIGH INCIDENCE OF DISABILITY IS A DRAIN ON THE NATIONAL ECONOMY;

(B) TO PROVIDE--

(I) IN THEIR DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR RETRAINING FOR OPEN EMPLOYMENT AND FOR THE ADAPTION OF TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SCHEMES TO ACCOMMODATE DISABLED PERSONS;

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(II) SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR THE SPECIAL CATEGORY OF HANDICAPPED PEOPLE WHO WILL NEVER BE IN A POSITION TO TAKE UP EMPLOYMENT IN NORMAL WORK SITUATIONS.

2. CALLS ON EMPLOYERS' AND WORKERS' ORGANISATIONS TO CO-OPERATE IN THE ALLOCATION OF A FAIR SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

3. REQUESTS THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR OFFICE TO GIVE PRIORITY TO PROGRAMMES AIMED AT SOCIAL INTEGRATION AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION; TO ENDOW RESEARCH PROJECTS ON

METHODS OF IMPROVING TRAINING TECHNIQUES; TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE SUCCESS OF QUOTA SYSTEMS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE FIELD OF REHABILITATION OF THE DISABLED; TO JOIN WITH THE UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL, THE UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND, THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANISATION AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION IN ACTIVITIES TO ASSIST GOVERNMENTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, IN THE PLANNING AND CONDUCT OF COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMMES TO PROVIDE SUITABLE REHABILITATION SERVICES, INCLUDING THE TRAINING OF INSTRUCTORS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF DISABLED PERSONS. END TEXT.DALE

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